Asian Development Bank Funds for Development of Roads

4692. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds sanctioned by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for the development of roads in the country, during the last three years;

(b) the roads developed in different States with the allocations made by Asian Development Bank, during those years;

(c) whether the ADB has recently sanctioned funds for development of some roads in 1995-96; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) During the last three years only one loan agreement has been signed on 22.3.1995 for an amount of US $245 million for development of about 332 kms of National Highways in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Rajasthan and West Bengal.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Introduction of pollution free transport system in the National Capital Region

4693. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to introduce pollution free transport system in the National Capital Region, and in the first instance in the capital city of Delhi;

(b) if so, the date from which such system is proposed to be introduced;

(c) the steps taken to develop an efficient and effective pollution free transport system in the National Capital Region; and

(d) the details of plans drawn up thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At this stage, it is too early to indicate from which date the HST system is to be introduced. However, it is expected that this system will be operative in 3-4 years.

(c) and (d) In consultation with Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, the Government has decided to provide High Speed Tram System, which will be pollution free, on nine important corridors of Delhi. Necessary tenders have already been invited and from among the bidders six bids have been found to be eligible/acceptable. The scrutiny/evaluation of bids is in progress.

सड़क नेटवर्क को खंडजायुक्त बनाया जाना

4694. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव :** क्या जल भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देश में सड़क नेटवर्क के बड़े भाग विशेष रूप से राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खंडजायुक्त नहीं है जिसकी वजह से भारी वाहनों की आवश्यकताओं की पूर्णतया पूर्ति नहीं हो पाती ;